

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

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for June, October and December 1953

	<u>Product</u>	<u>Unit of measurement</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>October</u>	<u>December</u>
A.	<u>POWER</u>				
	Electric power	million KWH	1,886	2,107	2,169
B.	<u>COAL</u>				
	Hard coal	1,000 tons	243	214	123
	Crude brown coal	"	14,065	15,088	14,986
	Brown coal briquettes	"	3,842	3,964	3,853
	Brown coal coke	"	15	30	29
C.	<u>ORES and MINED CHEMICALS</u>				
	Iron ore	tons	36,310	36,100	34,900
	Copper ore	"	1,340	1,600	1,600
	Potassium salts	"	114,700	118,900	120,600
	Pyrites	"	9,600	10,300	9,600

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<b>D. <u>METALS</u></b>				
Pig iron	tons	89,100	102,200	100,800
Crude steel ingots	"	185,400	187,700	184,100
Hot-rolled steel (including semifinished products)	"	124,600	135,500	143,200
Refined and electrolytic copper	"	2,181	2,700	2,800
Nonferrous rolled products	"	5,820	6,990	7,500
<b>E. <u>TRANSPORT</u></b>				
Passenger cars	pieces	1,336	1,191	1,588
Trucks	"	1,389	805	1,207
Road tractors	"	646	387	209
Land "	"	179	170	180
A.C. motors over 100 KW	"	121	201	210
Tires	1,000 pieces	68	85	83
<b>F. <u>CHEMICALS</u></b>				
Sulphuric acid	tons	26,296	33,200	34,000
Calc. soda	"	20,172	27,500	29,600
Caustic soda	"	18,299	18,600	18,400
Calcium carbide	"	57,355	57,600	60,800
Calc. alumina	"	3,535	2,900	4,400
Nitrogenous fertilizers	"	21,560	23,100	22,000
Phosphorus "	"	6,780	5,700	7,200
Synthetic rubber	"	5,289	5,700	5,800
<b>G. <u>P.O.L.</u></b>				
Gasoline	tons	54,500	54,200	54,500
Diesel fuel	"	56,800	67,300	62,200
<b>H. <u>CEMENT</u></b>	"	206,400	137,700	207,700

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<b>I. <u>PAPER and MATERIALS</u></b>				
Art.silk	tons	1,532	1,700	1,680
Cellulose (all types)	"	23,183	25,300	25,000
Paper ( " " )	"	34,099	33,000	33,200
<b>J. <u>FOOD</u></b>				
Margarine	"	X	11,403	12,762
Sea fish catches	"	X	5,872	3,772

X No computation made.

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2. Comment:

Most of the output figures fall within the expected ranges, but the following points are noteworthy:

- While there appears to have been a steady increase in the production of electric power this has not exceeded the anticipated volume.
- There was a sharp fall in the output of hard coal in the last month of the year (this was probably because of weather conditions).
- Production of brown coal was above expectations.
- Output of iron ore appears to have been well below that optimistically planned for at the end of 1952 and far below the original Five Year Plan figure.
- Production of pig iron and crude steel appears to have dropped below expectations.
- Output of both gasoline and Diesel fuel is above the planned figure for 1953 and considerably in excess of the original Five Year Plan figure. The reversal of priority in the production of the two principal types of oil fuel is also apparent (originally gasoline production was to exceed that of Diesel).
- Cement production appears to be below expectations; the reason for the sharp fall in the October output is unknown.

The figures for copper ore production are very surprising and must be accepted with reserve. The quantity originally planned for was over one million tons and although this was undoubtedly optimistic, it appears improbable that a mere 18,000 tons has been produced. (It is possible, although most unlikely, that the figure indicates the copper content of the ore).

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